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In re Application of:

Masayuki SEGAWA, *et al.*

Application No.: 09/937,003

Filed: December 28, 2001

For: SPARK PLUG FOR INTERNAL COMBUSTION
ENGINE

Confirmation No.: 4446

Group Art Unit: 2879

Examiner: V. Patel

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated December 18, 2002 (Paper No. 7), the period of response to which extends through March 18, 2003, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 23, lines 3-17 with the following rewritten paragraph:

B --FIG. 2 is an enlarged longitudinal sectional view showing the neighborhood of the center electrode and the ground electrode of the spark plug in which an interlayer is disposed between the tip of the ground electrode and the base. The center electrode 1 is made up of a basic body 11 and a tip 12 for the center electrode, and the ground electrode 2 is made up of a base 21, an interlayer 22, and a tip 23 for the ground electrode. The ground electrode 2 is